this chapter is subject to a civil fine not to exceed one thousand dollars or subject to suspension of the certificate of compliance, license, or permit for a period not to exceed thirty days one year, or to both civil fine and suspension. Civil fines imposed under this section shall be collected and retained by the division.

Sec. 5. Section 123.181, subsection 3, Code 1989, is amended by striking the subsection.

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## CHAPTER 253

## MORTGAGE SATISFACTION ACKNOWLEDGMENT H.F. 556

AN ACT relating to increasing the penalty and providing for attorney fees for failure to acknowledge satisfaction of a mortgage within thirty days.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 655.2, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows: 655.2 PENALTY.

If the mortgagee, mortgagee's personal representative or assignee, or those legally acting for the mortgagee fails fail to do so within thirty days after being requested in writing after the mortgage has been satisfied in full, that person shall forfeit to the mortgagor or any grantee of the property who has paid the mortgage, the sum of twenty five one hundred dollars plus reasonable attorney fees incurred by the mortgagor or grantee in securing the release of the mortgage.

A mortgagor or grantee who has sought relief under the provisions of section 535B.11 is not entitled to attorney fees under this section. A penalty shall not be assessed under this section if penalties have been assessed pursuant to section 535B.11.

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## CHAPTER 254

OUT-OF-STATE CONTRACTOR'S BOND H.F. 643

AN ACT relating to the filing of a bond by out-of-state contractors.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 91C.7, Code 1989, is amended to read as follows: 91C.7 STATE CONTRACTS.

- 1. A contractor who is not registered with the labor commissioner as required by this chapter shall not be awarded a contract to perform work for the state or an agency of the state.
- 2. An out-of-state contractor, before commencing a contract in excess of five thousand dollars in value in Iowa, shall file a bond with the division of labor services of the department of employment services. The surety bond shall be executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this state, and the bond shall be continuous in nature until canceled by the